

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION V

DATE: July 25, 1991

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: Authorization for Funding for
Environmental Sampling Activities at the NL
Industries/Taracorp Site in Granite City, Illinois

FROM: Brad Bradley, RPM

TO: Official File

PURPOSE

This action memorandum requests authorization for funding to conduct environmental sampling activities for U.S. EPA as part of the Multistate Lead Exposure Study being conducted by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR).

BACKGROUND

The Record of Decision for the NL Industries/Taracorp Site in Granite City, Illinois (NL Site), signed on March 30, 1990, included provisions for a "blood study" at the NL Site. ATSDR is conducting the epidemiological portion of the study and has asked U.S. EPA to conduct the environmental sampling for the study. U.S. EPA has agreed to do so.

ESTIMATED COST AND SCHEDULE

This funding covers costs associated with environmental sampling activities under the Scope of Work. The estimated cost to complete this work is \$65,000. It has been determined that the costs associated with this project are necessary and reasonable.

RECOMMENDATION

This request has been planned and coordinated with the appropriate regional offices. Funds in the amount of \$65,000 have been made available for the project in the fourth quarter on the FY91 Superfund Comprehensive Accomplishments Plan.

I recommend that the funds be authorized for conducting environmental sampling activities at the NL Industries/Taracorp Site in Granite City, Illinois.

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